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SUBJECT: WASHINGTON VISIT OF PETER JENKINS

1. PETER JENKINS, PRINCIPAL POLITICAL COLUMNIST FOR "THE GUARDIAN". PLANS TO VISIT WASHINGTON APRIL 8 - 13 WHERE HE WILL SPEAK AT A CONFERENCE SPONSORED BY THE TRILATERAL COMMISSION. WHILE IN WASHINGTON, HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO CALL ON USG OFFICIALS AND HAS REQUESTED SPECIFIC APOPOINTMENTS WITH SECRETARY OF DEFENSE RUMSFELD, COUNSELOR SONNENFELDT. AND DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SAUNDERS. ALSO, HE WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS SOUTHERN AFRICA AND COMMUNIST PARTIES IN WESTERN EUROPE WITH APOROPRIATE SENIOR DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS. FINALLY, ALTHOUGH HE REALIZES IT IS A LONG SHOT, HE WONDERS IF THERE IS ANY CHANCE HE MIGHT TALK WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER. IF NECESSARY TO ARRANGE THESE APPOINTMENTS. JENKINS COULD REMAIN IN WASHINGTON AN EXTRA DAY THROUGH APRIL 14.

2. JENKINS IS A THOUGHTFUL, BALANCED, AND INCREASINGLY INFLUENTIAL POLITICAL COMMENTATOR IN BRITAIN. WE RECOMMEND THAT EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO MEET HIS APPOINTMENT REQUESTS. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP AS JENKINS WILL BE LEAVING FOR THE U.S. ABOUT APRIL 1.

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